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SUBJECT: (U) SAMARRA TRIBES (C-IA8-00042)

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[1](#)1. (S/NF) WASHINGTON ANALYSTS ARE VERY INTERESTED IN DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE POSITIONS, AFFILIATIONS AND DYNAMICS OF TRIBAL LEADERS IN SAMARRA. IN-DEPTH REPORTING ON SIMILAR ISSUES IN AL ANBAR ALLOWED ANALYSTS TO PROVIDE POLICYMAKERS VALUABLE INSIGHTS REGARDING WAYS TO INFLUENCE TRIBAL LEADERS. ANALYSTS ARE SEEKING SIMILAR INFORMATION FOR SAMARRA AND WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INSIGHTS AND INFORMATION POSTS CAN PROVIDE, TIME AND RESOURCES PERMITTING.

[1](#)A. (U) WHAT ARE THE TRIBES IN THE SAMARRA AREA?

- 1) (U) HOW COHESIVE ARE THE TRIBES?
- 2) (U) IF FACTIONALIZED, WHAT ARE THE TRIBAL FACTIONS AND WHY DO THEY EXIST?
- A) (U) WHAT ARE THE FACTIONS OF THE AL-JABURI TRIBE?
- 3) (U) FOR EACH TRIBE OR TRIBAL FACTION, WHAT GEOGRAPHIC AREAS DO THEY CONTROL?
- 4) (U) WHAT TRIBES OR TRIBAL FACTIONS ARE THE MOST POWERFUL?
- 5) (U) WHAT ARE THE MAJOR SOURCES OF INCOME FOR THE TRIBES OR TRIBAL FACTIONS?
- A) (U) WHAT, IF ANY, ARE THE CONFLICTS OVER THESE SOURCES?
- B) (U) WITH OTHER TRIBES OR FACTIONS?
- C) (U) WITH AQI?
- 6) (U) FOR EACH TRIBE OR TRIBAL FACTION, WHAT ARE POPULAR ATTITUDES TOWARDS THE COALITION?
- A) (U) WHAT ARE THE POPULAR ATTITUDES TOWARD AQI?
- B) (U) WHAT ARE THE POPULAR ATTITUDES TOWARD PM MALIKI'S GOVERNMENT?
- C) (U) WHAT ARE THE POPULAR ATTITUDES TOWARD THE SALAH AD DIN GOVERNMENT?
- D) (U) WHAT ARE THE POPULAR ATTITUDES TOWARD THE SAMARRA GOVERNMENT?

[1](#)B. (U) WHICH TRIBAL LEADERS HAVE THE MOST POWER AND/OR INFLUENCE?

[1](#)C. (U) WHICH TRIBAL LEADERS SUPPORT/WORK WITH THE COALITION?

1) (U) WHY AND TO WHAT DEGREE?

¶D. (U) WHICH TRIBAL LEADERS SUPPORT/WORK WITH AQI?

1) (U) WHY AND TO WHAT DEGREE?

¶E. (U) WHICH TRIBAL LEADERS SUPPORT/WORK WITH NON-AQI INSURGENTS?

1) (U) WHY AND TO WHAT DEGREE?

¶F. (U) WHAT IS THE BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION FOR ANY TRIBAL LEADERS IDENTIFIED?

¶G. (U) WHAT ARE THE PHONE NUMBERS, E-MAIL ADDRESSES, ETC. OF ANY TRIBAL LEADERS IDENTIFIED?

¶H. (U) WHAT IS THE REACTION OF LOCALS TO THE RECENT BOMBING OF THE AL-ASKARI MOSQUE MINARETS?

1) (U) DO THEY BLAME AQI?

2) (U) THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT?

3) (U) THE COALITION?

¶I. (U) HOW RELIABLE OR UNRELIABLE ARE COMMUNICATIONS IN THE AREA?

1) (U) HAVE HOTLINES BEEN SET UP TO ALLOW CITIZENS TO REPORT INSURGENT ACTIVITY?

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¶J. (U) WHAT IS THE AVERAGE AVAILABILITY OF ELECTRICITY IN SAMARRA?

1) (U) ARE GENERATORS BEING USED TO SUPPLEMENT AVAILABILITY?

A) (U) WHO CONTROLS THE GENERATORS, IN WHICH AREAS?

B) (U) WHAT AREAS LACK GENERATORS?

¶K. (U) WHAT OTHER LOCAL CONDITIONS ARE OF PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE TO SAMARRA LEADERS AND POPULACE?

¶2. (U) PLEASE CITE C-IA8-00042 IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF REPORTING IN RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS.
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